

**STOCK AND BRADLEY PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE EXTRA ORDINARY MEETING**  
**held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2022 at 19.30 hrs.**

3579 Present: Councillors Mr P Langham (Vice Chair), Mrs S Wallis, Mrs P Warren, Mrs N Davies, Mr M Bates,  
4 Members of the Public.  
Mr R Dean as Clerk.

3580 VACANCY FOR A COUNCILLOR TO BE FILLED BY CO-OPTION  
Mr M Hadley had submitted an Application for Co-option form, for consideration by the Councillors. Cllr Mrs S Wallis, proposed and seconded by Cllr Mrs N Davies and it was AGREED to co-opt Mr M Hadley to the PC

3581 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN  
Cllr Mr P Langham, proposed and seconded by Cllr Mrs S Wallis and it was AGREED to elect Cllr Mr M Hadley as Chair of S&BPC.

3582 DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE BY CHAIRMAN was signed by Cllr Mr M Hadley and the Clerk

3583 APOLOGIES received from:  
County Councillor Mr Tony Miller, District Councillors Mrs A Steel, Mr D Wilkinson, Councillor Mr C Burdett, PCSO Aiden Goundry, these were accepted.

3584 DECLARATION OF INTEREST & WRITTEN REQUESTS FOR THE COUNCIL TO GRANT A DISPENSATION: None

3585 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
had been circulated. Cllr Mrs S Wallis, proposed and seconded by Cllr Mrs P Warren and it was AGREED to approve the minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2022.

3586 TO CONSIDER DISTRIBUTING A SURVEY TO THE RESIDENTS OF S&B TO ESTABLISH THEIR OPINION REGARDING THE PROPOSED SOLAR PANEL FARM.  
Prior to considering distributing a survey, the Clerk said that he believed he had a solution which would avoid the necessity of spending time, effort & funds on a survey.  
The Clerk had contacted Rachel Maclean's office and spoken to Mr J Godfrey, Senior Communications Officer, to ask if it was possible to separate the results of Rachel Maclean's survey between S&B and Inkberrow (the survey had been sent to the electoral registers of both parishes). Mr Godfrey replied if he could be sent the post codes of S&B he could extract an analysis of the result for just S&B. The Clerk retrieved the post codes from the S&B electoral register and sent them to Mr Godfrey, who provided the analysis in time for them to be presented at the PC meeting. The results were as follows:

<u>Total Responses:</u>	<u>101</u>	
Number opposing:	95	94%
Number for:	4	4%
Not Sure:	2	2%
<u>Totals:</u>	<u>101</u>	<u>100%</u>

Following a discussion, the councillors agreed to accept these figures and not proceed with an additional survey, it was also proposed that these results should be posted on the two notice boards and sent to the S&B Chronicle.

3587 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS AND ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

Cllr Mr M Hadley, stated that the term of the current council will end May 2023 and the next few months will be very busy due to Covid and the planning application of the proposed Roundhill Solar Farm, Cllr Mr M Hadley said that the following are the principal matters to be considered:

- a. In future agendas there should be two periods for members of the public to speak (ideally for a maximum of 3 minutes), additionally the public would also be allowed to speak on a particular agenda item at the discretion of the Chair.
- b. Before each PC meeting the Chair and the Clerk meet to discuss the agenda, the Chair would like to open these meetings to all S&B council members for a trial period, they would be informal and no minutes kept, the Cllr Mr M Hadley stated that he knew of several other councils which did this.
- c. It is likely that the proposed Solar Farm planning application will be submitted soon, and the PC will need to decide on their response, which could be either a total objection to the application or focus on certain aspects such as ensuring planning promises are kept, independent report on flooding and the use of externally generated electricity storage units.
- d. A contract of employment should be agreed with the Clerk; it was agreed that a small subcommittee (three Cllrs) Chaired by the Vice Chair should be set up to investigate this and make recommendations to the PC.

Cllr Mr M Bates suggested that the two VAS signs in Church Road should permanently be facing in opposite directions to alert traffic as they entered Bradley Green from both the North and South; this was agreed and the Clerk would inform the Lengthsman. Cllr Mr M Bates also suggested that a second VAS should be purchased for Stock Green when funds allowed.

- 3588 To confirm the dates for 2022/23 SBPC meetings  
 Wednesday 21st September 2022 – Proposed & Agreed  
 Wednesday 9th November 2022  
 Wednesday 25th January 2023 – Proposed & Agreed  
 Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2023  
 Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2023 Annual Parish Meeting  
 Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2023 Annual Parish Council Meeting Proposed & Agreed

3589 Date & Time of Next Meeting:  
 The date of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting is proposed for Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2022 at 7.30 to be held in Bradley Green Village Hall.

3590 QUESTIONS OR STATEMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.  
 There were two opportunities for the public to speak, 1<sup>st</sup> was opened at 19.32 and closed at 19.33, 2<sup>nd</sup> was opened at 20.07 and closed at 20.10.

- The following issues were raised:
- a. The drains in Church Road appear to have been blocked by the recent resurfacing of the road, a large block of tar has been removed from one of the drains, the Clerk to inform WCC Highways.
  - b. The Drains in Church Road on the LHS as you proceed North from Priest Bridge have sunk and could cause damage to vehicles, the Clerk to inform WCC Highways.
  - c. Additionally, due to recent harvesting operations the drains in S&B are being covered with straw, the Clerk to contact the Lengthsman to clear these when in the vicinity.

The meeting closed at 20.11

Signed: ..... Chairman

Date: 21<sup>st</sup> September 2022